The Federal Communications Commission

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We wish to express our thoughts regarding the tax hike that would increase the fees for our wireless and landline phones. We are retirees and our wireless phone is not a luxury item for us. The only purpose for which we carry it is emergencies and security. Because we are on a fixed income, additional costs could result in our having to give up this protection.

Please reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers.

Please help the retirees and the poor to have the same safety as wealthier individuals.

We ask you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Sincerely,

Gary and Irene Brosch

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